

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

October 13, 2017

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. Senate
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Bob Goodlatte
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
2138 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Grassley and Chairman Goodlatte:

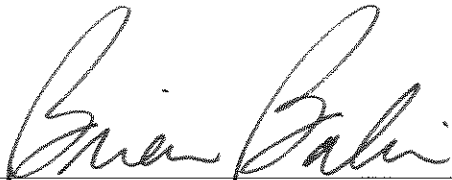
Every nominee for United States Attorney must be confirmed by the Senate, a process that brings to the forefront any conflicts of interest, potential biases, or questionable past conduct. However, Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller III and his team of lawyers, who are arguably just as empowered – if not more so – than any United States Attorney have afforded Congress and the public no such opportunity.

This team has sweeping authority and an open-ended mission, yet they are allowed to operate largely in secret, selected by and ultimately accountable to only one person: Mr. Mueller himself. With numerous reports emerging almost every day on possible conflicts of interest and allegations of political bias, it would be in the interest of both the public and the Special Counsel team to speak to the American people through their elected representatives in Congress.


Accordingly, we respectfully request that one or both of the Judiciary Committees immediately convene a public and open hearing or series of hearings to bring Mr. Mueller and his team out of the shadows and into the public square. While we agree that specific questions about the ongoing investigation cannot and should not be addressed in such a hearing, we strongly believe the American people deserve information and accountability regarding the potential expenses incurred by Mr. Mueller and the selection of his Special Counsel team. **They are, after all, paying for it.**

We are confident that you will take this request into serious consideration.

Sincerely,



Brian Babin
Member of Congress



Jody Hice
Member of Congress



Bob Gibbs
Member of Congress



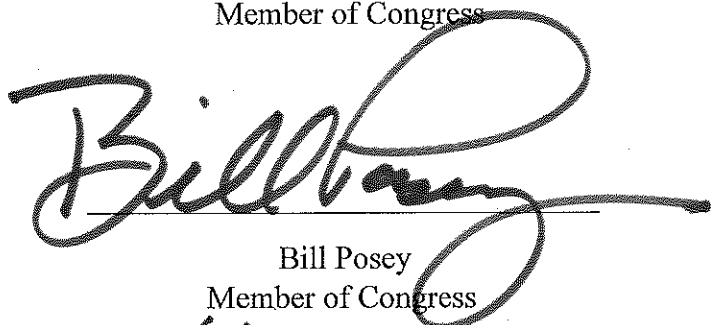
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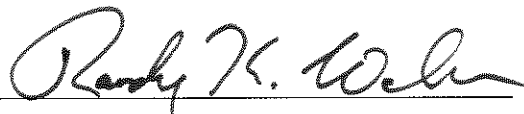
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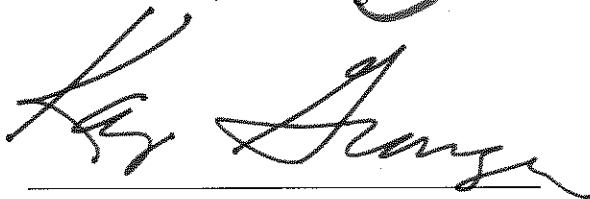
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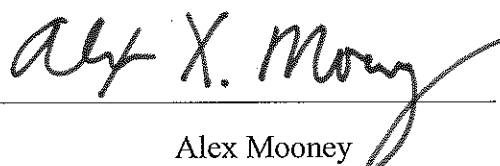
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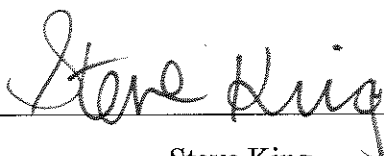
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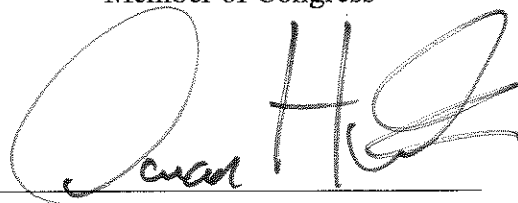
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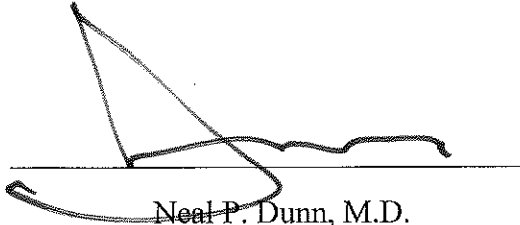
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